

**UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
WESTERN DISTRICT OF LOUISIANA
SHREVEPORT DIVISION**

STEVEN D. FODGE, ET AL.

CIVIL ACTION NO. 18-0386

VERSUS

JUDGE S. MAURICE HICKS, JR.

TRUSTMARK NATIONAL BANK,
ET AL.

MAGISTRATE JUDGE HORNSBY

MEMORANDUM RULING

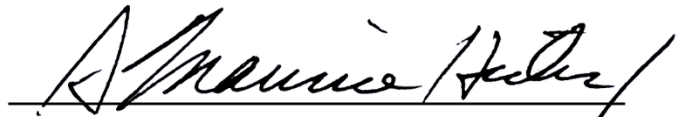
Before the Court is Defendant Trustmark National Bank's ("Trustmark") Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings pursuant to Federal Rule of Civil Procedure 12(c). See Record Document 140. Plaintiffs Steven D. Fodge ("Fodge"), Joseph E. Carey, Jon A. Tokay, Pamela R. Jeffcoat, Andrew J. Kaltenmark, Lance K. Inovejas and Deborah A. Inovejas (collectively "Plaintiffs") have filed a response. See Record Document 143.

On March 18, 2019, this Court issued an order granting several motions to dismiss filed by the other defendants in this matter and dismissed all of Plaintiffs' claims, except for Fodge's claims against Trustmark, which was the only defendant that did not file a motion to dismiss. See Record Document 138 at 1 n.1. Subsequently, Trustmark filed the instant Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings requesting that Fodge's claims against it also be dismissed since they are nearly identical to the previously dismissed claims against the other defendants, which Plaintiffs do not dispute. See Record Document 141 at 3; Record Document 143 at 1. Additionally, while Plaintiffs note their opposition to the merits of Fodge's motion, as well as the Court's previous ruling referenced above, see Record Document 143 at 2, they "suggest that expeditious granting of [Trustmark's] motion . . . would place the case in the correct procedural posture for an appeal." Id.

Therefore, based on the foregoing reasons, Trustmark's Motion for Judgment on the Pleadings (Record Document 140) is **GRANTED** and all of Fodge's claims are hereby **DISMISSED WITH PREJUDICE**.

A judgment consistent with the terms of the instant Memorandum Ruling shall issue herewith.

THUS DONE AND SIGNED, in Shreveport, Louisiana, this 4th day of April, 2019.


S. MAURICE HICKS, JR., CHIEF JUDGE
UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT